

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

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3. (Currently Amended) The airbag unit of claim ~~[[1,]]~~ 5, wherein the guide members are configured to guide the tubular gas generator along a defined displacement path, wherein the guide members are engaged.

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5. (Currently Amended) ~~[[The]]~~ An airbag unit of claim 4, for a motor vehicle comprising:

a tubular gas generator for generating a filling gas for an airbag, the gas generator having a tube axis;

a fastening element for tying the gas generator to the motor vehicle;

a deformation element which is configured to interact with the gas generator and deform to allow the tubular gas generator to be displaced relative to the motor vehicle in the direction of the tube axis; and

a first guide member arranged on the fastening element and a second guide member located on the tubular gas generator and engaged with the first guide member, and

wherein the first guide member extends essentially in the direction of the tube axis of the tubular gas generator and the second guide member extends essentially in a direction away from the tube axis of the tubular gas generator.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~[[The]]~~ An airbag unit of claim 4, for a motor vehicle comprising:

a tubular gas generator for generating a filling gas for an airbag, the gas generator having a tube axis;

a fastening element for tying the gas generator to the motor vehicle;

a deformation element which is configured to interact with the gas generator and deform to allow the tubular gas generator to be displaced relative to the motor vehicle in the direction of the tube axis; and

~~wherein the~~ a first guide member comprising ~~[[is]]~~ a long hole in the fastening element and ~~[[the]]~~ a second guide member ~~[[is]]~~ located on the tubular gas generator and comprising a pin engaging into the long hole.

7. (Original) The airbag unit of claim 3, wherein the displacement path formed by the guide members points essentially away from a vehicle occupant located in the vehicle interior.

8. (Currently Amended) The airbag unit of ~~claim 4,~~ claim 5, wherein the first guide member has at least one stop for limiting the displacement travel of the tubular gas generator in at least one direction.

9. (Currently Amended) The airbag unit of claim ~~[[1,]]~~ 5, wherein the deformation element is arranged so that a displacement of the tubular gas generator is prevented when the gas generator is subjected to a force, in the direction of the tube axis, which is lower than a predetermined force.

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12. (Currently Amended) The airbag unit of claim ~~[[1,]]~~ 5, wherein the gas generator is positioned so that the tube axis points essentially in the direction of the motor vehicle interior.

13. (Currently Amended) [[An]] The airbag unit ~~for a motor vehicle of claim 5,~~
further comprising:

~~a tubular gas generator for generating a filling gas for an airbag, the gas generator having a tube axis;~~

~~a deformation element which is configured to interact with the gas generator and deform to allow the tubular gas generator to be displaced relative to the motor vehicle in the direction of the tube axis;~~

~~a first guide member arranged on a fastening element and a second guide member located directly on the tubular gas generator and engaged with the first guide member; and~~

a housing for receiving further components of the airbag unit, wherein the housing is arranged on the tubular gas generator.

14. (Previously Presented) The airbag unit of claim 13, wherein the housing houses at least one of a diffuser and a gas bag.

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16. (Currently Amended) The airbag unit of claim [[11,]] 6, wherein the guide members are configured to guide the tubular gas generator along a defined displacement path.

17. (Previously Presented) The airbag unit of claim 16, wherein the displacement path formed by the guide members points essentially away from a vehicle occupant located in the vehicle interior.

18. (Currently Amended) The airbag unit of claim [[3,]] 6, wherein ~~at least one of the first guide member members~~ has a stop for limiting the displacement travel of the gas generator.

19. (Currently Amended) The airbag unit of ~~claim 4,~~ claim 6, wherein the deformation element is arranged in such a way that a displacement of the tubular gas

generator is prevented when the gas generator is subjected to a force in the direction of the tube axis which is lower than a predetermined force.

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22. (New) The airbag unit of claim 6, further comprising a housing for receiving further components of the airbag unit, wherein the housing is arranged on the tubular gas generator.

23. (New) The airbag unit of claim 22, wherein the housing houses at least one of a diffuser and a gas bag.

24. (New) The airbag unit of claim 6, wherein the gas generator is positioned so that the tube axis points essentially in the direction of the motor vehicle interior.